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 ELECTROCATALYTIC ACTIVITY IN A GAS  
 DIFFUSION ELECTRODE

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**RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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This communication is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed to applicants on September 17, 2003. Applicants believe they have received the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in error. The Notice states that the amendments have not been provided with the proper status identifier and specifically Claims 1, 3, 13, and 25 are highlighted as requiring the Status Identifier "currently amended" and not "original". Applicants believe that they have received this notice in error since in the request for reconsideration dated August 20, 2003 the only amendment applicants made to the claims were to cancel Claims 17-32 in response to a restriction requirement.

Claims 1, 3, and 13 which were indicated as non-compliant were in fact not amended and

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thus "original" claims. Claim 25 also indicated as non-compliant was cancelled. In summary, each claim was provided with the proper status identifier in the request for reconsideration of August 20, 2003.

In summary, in light of this clarification applicants request that the August 20, 2003 request for reconsideration be considered as compliant and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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